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SUBJECT: BICENTENNIAL INVITATION TO THE WORLD

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- 1. JULY 5-7 VISIT TO ROMANIA OF USIA DIRECTOR KEOGH PRO-VIDED EXCEPTIONALLY EFFECTIVE OCCASION FOR DELIVERING PRESIDENT NIXON'S INVITATION ON BEHALF OF AMERICAN PEOPLE FOR ROMANIAN PARTICIPATION IN U.S. BICENTENNIAL OBSERVANCE. DELIVERY WAS IN EFFECT TWO-STAGE DEVELOPMENT AT UNUSUALLY HIGH GOR LIVELS, INVOLVING ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER IN FIRST INCTANCE AND PRESIDENT CEAUSESCU HIMSELF IN SECOND.
- 2. DIRECTOR AND CHARGE PERSONALLY PRESENTED INVITATION DURING JULY 6 CALL ON ACTING FONMIN VASILE GLIGA. WHILE EMPHASIS WAS PLACED ON POPULAR RATHER THAN OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT ASPECTS OF FOREIGN PARTICIPATION, GLIGA'S ATTENTION CAREFULLY DRAWN TO IDEA THAT INVITATION COVERED BROAD RANGE OF POSSIBILITIES, ESPECIALLY THOSE IN CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL FIELD. GLIGA PROMISED TO CONSIDER MOST APPROPRIATE WAYS AND MEANS BY WHICH ROMANIA MIGHT CONTRIBUTE TO THIS PROGRAM AND INDICATED HE AND HIS ASSOCIATES WOULD BE BACK IN TOUCH WITH EMBASSY PERSONNEL.
- 3. DURING EXCHANGE WHICH DIRECTOR AND CHARGE HAD LATER SAME DAY WITH PRESIDENT CEAUSESCU AT LATTER'S SUMMER RETREAT ON BLACK SEA COAST (CF. BUCHAREST 2494), ROMANIAN LEADER UNEQUIVOCALLY STATED THAT HIS COUNTRY WOULD PARTICIPATE IN UNCLASSIFIED

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THE U.S. BICENTENNIAL PROGRAM AND THAT APPROPRIATE GOR

OFFICIALS WOULD CONTACT US LATER IN THIS REGARD.

4. PURSUANT INSTRUCTIONS CONVEYED REFAIR, EMBASSY POUCHING UNDER SEPARATE COVER (ATTN: CU) EXACT TEXT OF DIPLOMATIC NOTE WHICH DIRECTOR KEOGH AND CHARGE HANDED OVER TO GLIGA AT TIME OF INVITATION PRESENTATION.

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